

Medication Adherence for Diabetes Medications

Performance Measure Set: CCO Incentive Metric Medicare Star Measure Quality

Measurement Type: Structure Process Outcome Patient Experience

Data Type: Claims Chart Documentation eCQM Survey Other

HEDIS Benchmarks National Percentile: 81% (75th), 85% (90th)

Who: Patients 18 years of age and older.

Why: Taking medication as directed is one of the most important ways people with diabetes can manage their health. It is important for the patient, doctor, and the health plan to work together to manage the patient's diabetes.

What: Percent of members with at least two prescription fills on unique dates of service for diabetes medication who fill their prescription often enough to cover 80% or more of the time they are supposed to be taking the medication.

How: This measure is calculated using the number of member-years of enrolled beneficiaries with a proportion of days covered (PDC) at 80% or higher across the classes of diabetes medications during the measurement period.

The measure is weighted based on the total number of member-years for each Medicare Part D member. For instance, if a member is enrolled for a three-month episode, does not have coverage for a six-month episode, then reenrolled for a three-month episode, they will count as "0.5 member years" in the rate calculation ($3/12 + 3/12 = 6/12$).

Exclusions: Patients who take insulin are excluded. Hospice or ESRD.

Diabetes Medications:

Biguanides, sulfonylureas, thiazolidinediones, dipeptidylpeptidase (DPP)-IV inhibitors, incretin mimetics, meglitinides, and sodium glucose cotransporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitors.